

Forestry Cost-share Funds Still Available

ALEXANDRIA — Louisiana State Conservationist Don Gohmert for the Natural Resources Conservation Service reports that funds are still available for the Forestry Incentives Program, otherwise known as FIP, in Louisiana. “What this means to private landowners is that they can still receive 50 percent cost-sharing for planting trees on their land,” explained Gohmert. “The cost sharing also helps with any site preparation needed for planting purposes.” To be eligible for FIP, a landowner must own no more than 1,000 acres of eligible forest land. The landowner must also have land that meets the minimum standards established for the program. The program is available only for small, non-industrial landowners. To find out more about the Forestry Incentives Program, call your nearest USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Louisiana Office of Forestry, or local Soil and Water Conservation District office.

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